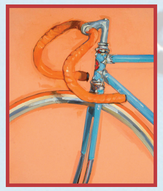
Glendale Bike Map

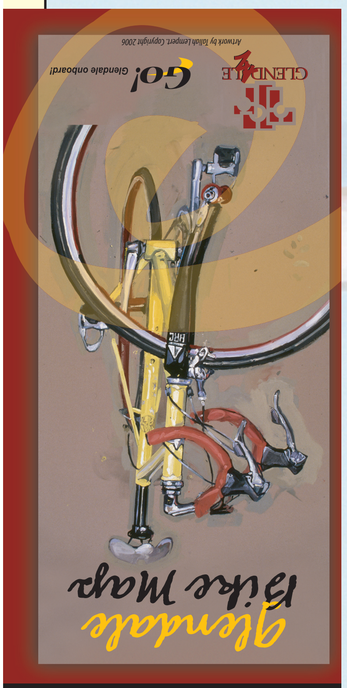
This Glendale Bike Map will help you plan your cycling route through our city, whether it's to exercise, run an errand, commute to work or just enjoy our wonderful weather. You'll also find this map useful in determining the best route to visit one of our great parks, libraries and other points of interest.

Glendale's Bikeways and Bicycle Program

Glendale's bikeways feature more than 100 miles of bike routes, paths and trails. Glendale funds a Bicycle Program annually to encourage residents to use bicycles. Why? Because bikes are inexpensive to operate, offer a viable transportation alternative to a car, contribute to clean air, decrease traffic congestion and provide citizens a great way to stay fit throughout the year.



Housed in the city's Transportation Department, the Bicycle Program also provides safety and outreach programs and citizen information and referral services.



FAVORITE LOCAL RIDES

Glendale offers miles and miles of trails and favorite destinat ions for bicyclists. So gather up your family, conduct a safety chec k on your bikes, fasten your helmets and enjoy all that we have to offer!

Grand Canal Linear Park

Glendale's newest linear park runs diagonally from 75th Avenue and Camelback Road to 97th Avenue and Bethany Home Road. This park, which is also a great place to teach kids how to rid e a bike, features a lighted 3.25-mile lighted paved pathway locate d away from an unpaved equestrian trail. Open daily from 6 a.m. t o 10 p.m.

Sahuaro Ranch Park

Although there are no bicycling paths at Sahuaro Ranch Park, it 's a great place to ride a bike to and visit as the park offers an incredible recreational and historic experience. This regiona l park features top-notch recreational amenities, such as picnic areas , covered ramadas, playground, dog park, sand volleyball courts a nd a lighted softball complex.

On the eastern side of the property, the park features a turn-o f-the-century homestead dating back to the city's early agricultu ral beginnings. Historic Sahuaro Ranch offers visitors an opportun ity to step back in time as they stroll through this unique "ranch museum." For more information and a schedule of upcoming events at Historic Sahuaro Ranch, call 623-930-4200. The park is located at 59th Avenue and Mountain View Road (south of Peoria Road).

Skunk Creek Linear Park

This linear park's 3.5- mile paved pathway, which runs from 51s t Avenue and Utopia Road to 73rd Avenue and Paradise Lane, connects to Thunderbird Paseo Park. The scenic desert trail run s along Skunk Creek, so be on the lookout for birds and critters during your ride. The park is open daily from sunrise to sunset .

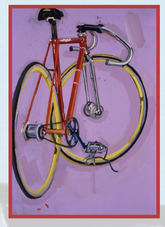
Thunderbird Park

Bicyclists can take advantage of more than 20 miles of single-t rack trails in this 1,185-acre desert mountainous park. In addition to mountain biking, the park is a favorite destination for hiking , jogging, horseback riding and bird watching. Please respect the natural beauty of this conservation park by staying on the tra ils at all times. The main entrance of the park, open daily from sunr ise to sunset, is on 59th Avenue between Deer Valley and Pinnacle Peak roads.

Thunderbird Paseo Park

This linear park along the Arizona Canal is a bicyclist's parad ise, featuring nearly four miles of paved path away from traffic. Th e park is also a great place to teach children how to ride a bike . The park runs diagonally from 51st and Cactus Road to 73rd Avenue and Greenway Road. The best access points are 67th Avenue just south of Greenway Road or 59th Avenue just south of Thunder bird Road. The park, which is open daily from sunrise to sunset , also features soccer fields, basketball courts and playgrounds . The Thunderbird Paseo path becomes the AC/DC path in Phoenix and continues all the way to 24th Street (a total distance of 16 mi les).

Safety Comes First



Although bicycling is a fun activity the whole family can enjoy, it's important that bicyclists use caution when using public roadways. Always think of yourself as a motorist, using the same rules of the road like driving on the right side of the street and stopping at all stop signs and red lights.

Bicycle Tips

Be Bicycle Safe! Be Bicycle Smart!

Ride SINGLE FILE unless it's safe to ride side by side with another bicyclist.

ALWAYS stop before entering onto a street and look both ways (using the "left-right-left" rule) for oncoming traffic.

ALWAYS use hand signals when turning, slowing down or stopping.

WEAR gloves to protect your hands.

When RIDING ON THE SIDEWALK, yield right of way to pedestrians and ride more slowly than on a street.

WALK your bike through crosswalks (when riding on sidewalks).

NEVER weave in and out of traffic.

NEVER carry passengers (unless your bike is built for two).

ALWAYS look out for the unexpected, especially near driveways, intersections and parking lots.

LOOK OUT for roadway obstructions, such as rocks and debris.

Helmets Save Lives

Each year, head injuries are the most common – and usually the most serious – bicycle-related injuries in the U.S.

Wearing a helmet can reduce the risk of head injury by 85 percent and brain injury by 83 percent.

Dry Washes & Flash Floods

Natural washes cross roadways, paths and trails in some parts of Glendale. These washes remain dry during much of the year. But, during storms, these washes may fill and flow quickly with rainwater.

Flash floods are unique to the desert and can occur at a moment's notice before, during or after storms. As a result, use extreme caution when riding through these areas, especially where warning signs are posted.

Arizona Bike Laws

Before strapping on your helmet and getting on your bike, it's important that you are familiar with state laws relating to bicycles.

The following are some of the more important laws that all bicyclists should know:

- Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists. Thus, bicyclists must follow the same traffic laws – stopping for red lights and stop signs - as motorists.
- Every person riding a bike must have a seat to sit on (riding on handlebars is illegal).
- Bicyclists may not hold on to moving motorized vehicles, such as a go-ped, motorcycle or car.
- Bicyclists must ride as far to the right of the road as possible and safe to do so.
- When riding, bicyclists must always have at least one hand on the handlebars.
- Every bicycle must have at least one working brake.
- Any bicycle used at night must have at least one white headlight that is visible up to 500 feet away and one red rear reflector visible up to 300 feet away.

Ten Bicycle Safety Tips

1) Check bike for any loose parts.

2) Check tires for proper inflation.

3) Decide on a route before leaving your home.

4) Stay hydrated -- plan a stop for refreshments (even a snack!).

5) Wear bright, comfortable clothing; no loose shoe laces or pant legs.

6) Ride on the right side of the roadway.

7) Carry identification and a cell phone.

8) Wear a helmet.

9) Carry ample water.

10) Keep your eye on the roadway in front of you.

Biking Information

How To Select A Bike Route

Always determine the safest route before starting your bike ride. When selecting a route, look for streets that have less traffic and the fewest traffic signals, stop signs, driveways and parking lots. This will make your ride more enjoyable. Also, your route should be the most direct to your destination and be on a smooth surface, if possible.

Trails & Paths

Only ride on trails that are designated for bike use (designated by signage).

On multi-use trails, yield the right of way to hikers, joggers and equestrians.

When passing another trail user, make sure your presence is known in advance.

Pass equestrians slowly, with as much space between you and the horse as possible.

Stay on designated trails – don't use shortcuts!

Pack out what you pack in – leave no trace. Respect private and public property

Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee

Glendale's Citizen Bicycle Advisory Committee was created to support the city's Bicycle Program. Committee members review and provide input on various bicycling-related issues and projects. They also volunteer at the annual Glendale Family Bike Ride and various other activities.

The committee meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at Glendale City Hall, 5850 W. Glendale Ave., Room B-3. For more information on how you can become a member, call 623-930-2940.

Frequently Called Phone Numbers

623-930-2940

To request additional bike maps

To request bicycle education information

To request a bike route in your neighborhood

To request neighborhood speed studies and traffic counts

To request new streets lights, traffic signs/ signals or crosswalks

To report neighborhood traffic concerns

To report school traffic and safety concerns

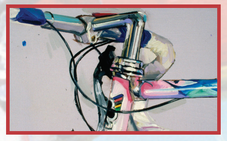
To report street light outages

623-930-2760

To request pavement markings maintenance (crosswalks, etc.)

To report damaged or missing traffic signs

To report traffic signal outages



Local Biking Organizations

ARIZONA BICYCLE CLUB
www.azbikeclub.com

BULL WORLDWIDE BICYCLE CLUB
www.bullshifters.org

COALITION OF ARIZONA BICYCLISTS
www.cazbike.com

GREATER ARIZONA BICYCLING ASSOCIATION
www.sportsfun.com/gaba

MOUNTAIN BIKING ASSOCIATION OF ARIZONA
www.mbaa.net

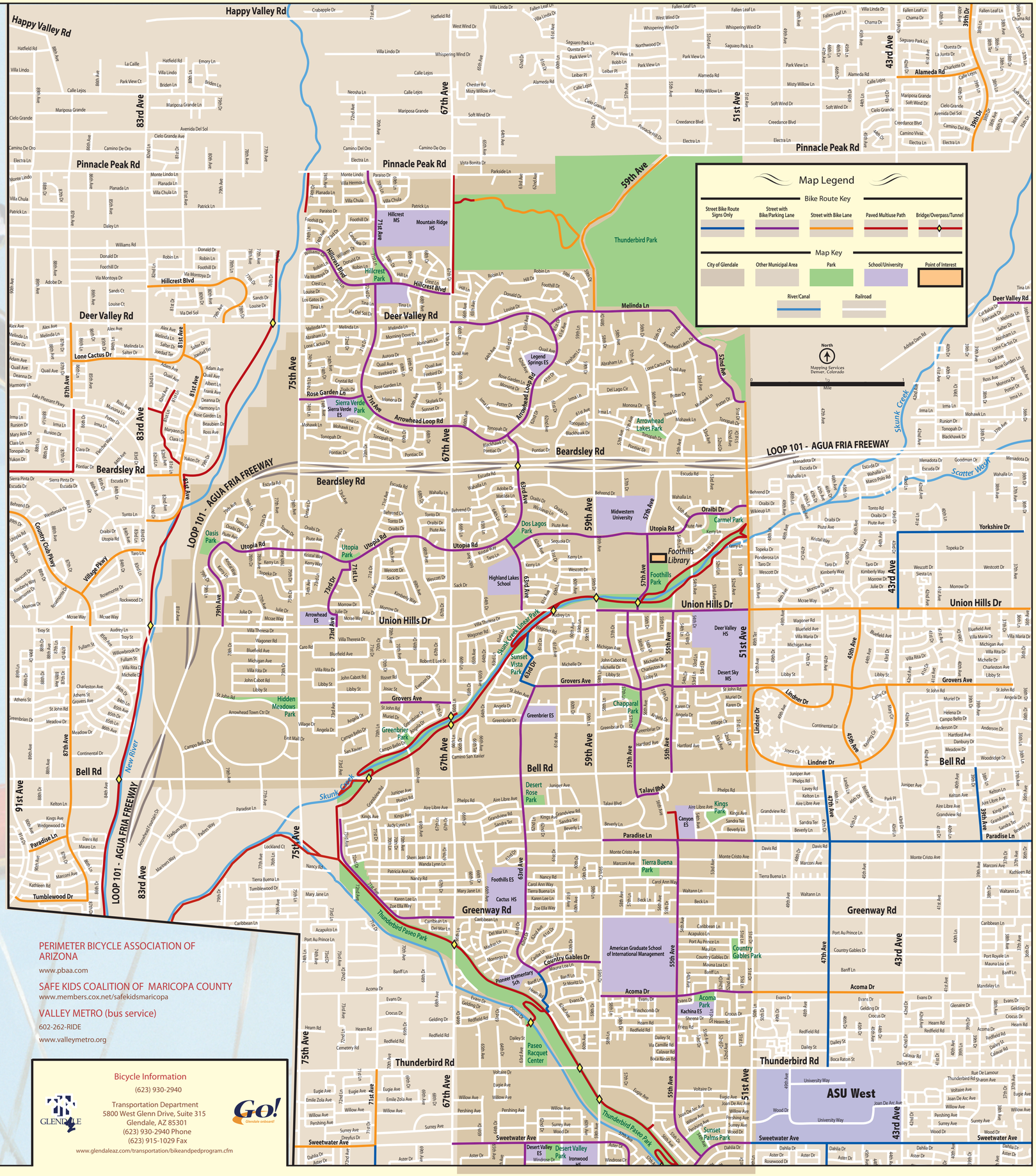
PERIMETER BICYCLE ASSOCIATION OF ARIZONA
www.pbaa.com

SAFE KIDS COALITION OF MARICOPA COUNTY
www.members.cox.net/safekidsmaricopa

VALLEY METRO (bus service)
602-262-RIDE
www.valleymetro.org

Bicycle Information
(623) 930-2940

Transportation Department
5800 West Glenn Drive, Suite 315
Glendale, AZ 85301
(623) 930-2940 Phone
(623) 915-1029 Fax
www.glendaleaz.com/transportation/bikeandpedprogram.cfm



Bike on the Bus

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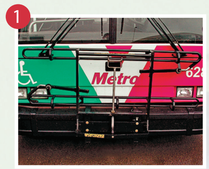

Before the bus arrives at your stop, remove any loose accessories like water bottles or pumps that might fall off in transit. If the bike rack is already full, don't bring your bike inside the bus. You will need to wait for the next bus. Inform the operator before placing your bike in the rack.

2

For safety reasons, the operator may not get off the bus to assist you. If the bike rack is folded against the bus, pull the silver handle up to release and lower the bike rack down flat.

3

Lift your bike into the rack. Place the wheels into the slot nearest the bus, as shown. Make sure the handlebars face the curb. A second bike should be loaded with handlebars facing away from the curb. SORRY – no tricycles, tandem or motorized bicycles can be placed on bike racks.

4

NEVER step to the street side of the bus. If no other bikes are left on the rack, please pull the silver handle to fold the rack back to its upright position, your bus operator will greatly appreciate it.

5

Secure your bike by pulling the hook out and fitting it snugly over the bike's front tire.

Make sure you tell the operator that you'll be unloading your bike. Release the hook from the bike's tire and lift the bike out of the rack.

Map Legend

Bike Route Key

Street Bike Route Signs Only

Street with Bike/Parking Lane

Street with Bike Lane

Paved Multiuse Path

Bridge/ Overpass/Tunnel

Map Key

City of Glendale

Other Municipal Area

Park

School/University

Point of Interest

River/Canal

Railroad